

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An information receiving device, comprising:

a receiving means for receiving a program to be transmitted;

an operation means for operating points corresponding to a response program, said points being allocated to a memory when said response program is viewed in its entirety by a viewer; and

a recording means for recording specifying information in said memory, said specifying information including said response program and the points operated by said operation means at least, when the program received by said receiving means is said response program;

whereby ~~said points are stored in a smart card~~ when said viewer responds to said response program, a signal indicative of said viewer's response and a corresponding response program ID is generated.

2. (Previously Presented) The information receiving device according to claim 1, further including:

a response program determination means for determining whether or not the program received by said receiving means is said response program.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Previously Presented) The information receiving device according to claim 1, further including:

a transmission means for transmitting the recorded contents in said recording means.

5. (Original) The information receiving device according to claim 1, further including:

a pay program determination means for determining whether or not said program is a pay program; and

a processing means for performing accounting to the points stored in said recording means, when said program is a pay program.

6. (Currently Amended) A method for receiving information, comprising:

a receiving step for receiving a program to be transmitted;

an operation step for operating points corresponding to a response program, said points being allocated to a memory when said response program is viewed in its entirety by a viewer; and

a recording step for recording specifying information in said memory, said specifying information including said response program and the points operated by said operation step at least, when the program received by said receiving step is said response program;

whereby ~~said points are stored in a smart card~~ when said viewer responds to said response program, a signal indicative of said viewer's response and a corresponding response program ID is generated.

7. (Previously Presented) The method for receiving information according to claim 6, further including:

a response program determination step for determining whether or not the program received by said receiving step is said response program.

8. (Currently Amended) An information transmission device, comprising:

a transmission means for transmitting a program; and

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allocation means for allocating points corresponding to a response program when said response program is viewed in its entirety by a viewer,

whereby specifying information corresponding to said response program is transmitted with said response program by said transmission means;

whereby ~~said points are stored in a smart card~~ when said viewer responds to said response program, a signal indicative of said viewer's response and a corresponding response program ID is generated.

9. (Canceled).

10. (Currently Amended) A method for transmitting information, comprising:

a transmission step for transmitting a program; and

an allocation step for allocating points corresponding to a response program when said response program is viewed in its entirety by a viewer,

whereby specifying information corresponding to said response program is transmitted with said response program by said transmission step;

whereby ~~said points are stored in a smart card~~ when said viewer responds to said response program, a signal indicative of said viewer's response and a corresponding response program ID is generated.

11. (Canceled)

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